

NSC BRIEFING

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PANAMA

- I. Extremists are continuing to plan further anti-US violence in Panama.
  - A. Foreign Minister Moreno told Ambassador Harrington on 4 December that Panama would issue a press statement within the next few days declaring "no progress whatsoever" has been made in recent US-Panamanian negotiations.
  - B. Student groups are reported to be organizing a meeting for 12 December to celebrate the anniversary of the Panamanian rejection of a US bases agreement in 1947.
  - C. Unconfirmed reports indicate that extremists are plotting to assassinate Ambassador Harrington, Canal Zone Governor Potter, and Panamanian National Guard Commander Vallarino.

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